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RESPONSE UNDER 37.CFR1.116 JJW EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 2812

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Confirmation No. 3064

Hiroaki INOUE et al.

Docket No. 2001_1094A

Serial No. 09/890,455

Group Art Unit 2812

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Examiner Lynne A. Gurley

ELECTROLESS PLATING LIQUID AND METHOD OF FORMING INTERCONNECTION USING SUCH AN ELECTROLESS PLATING LIQUID

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZEL TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated August 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: